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## WEST VIRGINIA CROP ACREAGE FOR 2019

**Charleston, West Virginia** – Corn planted is estimated at 52,000 acres, up 6,000 acres from 2018. Growers expect to harvest 39,000 acres for grain, up 6,000 acres from last year.

All hay harvested is forecast at 494,000 acres, down 41,000 acres from last year. Alfalfa hay harvested is expected to total 14,000 acres, down 1,000 acres from last year. Other hay harvested is expected to be 480,000 acres, down 40,000 acres from last year.

*Note: These estimates were based on results from the June 1, 2019, Agricultural Survey. Forecasted estimates may change as the survey year and/or planting intentions by farmers are altered. Winter wheat and soybean estimates have been discontinued in 2019.*

## UNITED STATES WITH 2018 COMPARISONS

Corn planted for all purposes – 91.7 million acres, up 3 percent.

Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all corn planted:

Insect resistant (Bt) - 3% of 2019 crop, 2% of 2018 crop;

Herbicide resistant - 9% of 2019 crop, 10% of 2018 crop;

Stacked gene - 80% of 2019 crop, 80% of 2018 crop;

All Biotech varieties - 92% of 2019 crop, 92% of 2018 crop.

Corn harvested for grain – 83.6 million acres, up 2 percent.

Winter wheat planted – 31.8 million acres, down 2 percent.

Winter wheat harvested for grain – 24.9 million acres, down 1 percent.

Oats planted – 2.55 million acres, down 7 percent.

Oats harvested for grain – 909,000 acres, up 5 percent.

All tobacco harvested – 235,820 acres, down 19 percent.

Burley tobacco harvested – 52,100 acres, down 15 percent.

All hay for harvest – 52.8 million acres, down less than 1 percent.

Alfalfa hay for harvest – 16.8 million acres, up 1 percent.

Other hay for harvest – 36.0 million acres, down less than 1 percent.

Soybeans planted – 80.0 million acres, down 10 percent.

Biotechnology varieties as a percent of all soybeans planted:

Herbicide resistant - 94% of 2019 crop, 94% of 2018 crop;

All Biotech varieties - 94% of 2019 crop, 94% of 2018 crop.

Soybeans for harvest – 79.3 million acres, down 10 percent.